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Government: Assistant Public Defender, State of Rhode Island (1977-1981); Assistant Child Advocate, State of Rhode Island (1981-1982); Director, Office of the Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA), Rhode Island Family Court (1982-1987); Deputy Disciplinary Counsel, Rhode Island Supreme Court (1988-1990); Chief Disciplinary Counsel, Rhode Island Supreme Court (1990-1994); Member, Select Commission to Investigate the Failure of Rhode Island Share and Deposit Indemnity Corporation, State of Rhode Island (1991-1992)

Legal Practice: Private Practice (1981-1982)

Current Memberships: American Bar Association; Rhode Island Bar Association

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William E. Smith

District Judge

Date of Birth: December 31, 1959
Education: Georgetown 1982 BA, 1987 JD
Began Service: December 9, 2002
Appointed By: President George W. Bush

Affiliation: Adjunct Faculty Member, Bryant College

Government: Staff Director (R-RI), Office of Senator Lincoln D. Chafee, United States Senate (2000-2001)

Judicial: Judge (part-time), Town of West Warwick, Rhode Island (1993-1998)

Legal Practice: Associate, Edwards & Angell, LLP (1987-1994); Partner, Edwards & Angell, LLP (1994-2000); Counsel, Edwards & Angell, LLP (2001-2002)

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Ronald R. Lagueux

Senior Judge

Education: Bowdoin 1953 AB; Harvard 1956 LLB
Began Service: September 4, 1986
Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan
Political Affiliation: Republican

Government: Executive Counsel, Governor John H. Chafee (RI), Office of the Governor, State of Rhode Island (1962-1965); Campaign Policy Advisor, John H. Chafee for Governor

Judicial: Associate Justice, Rhode Island Superior Court (1968-1986)

Legal Practice: Edwards & Angell (1956-1962)

Current Memberships: Rhode Island Bar Association

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Jacob Hagopian

Senior Judge (recalled)

Date of Birth: 1927
Education: George Washington 1957 AB; American U 1960 JD
Began Service: 1971

Current Memberships: American Judges Association; United States Magistrate Judges Committee, Federal Bar Association; National Defense University Foundation; Naval War College Foundation

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Ernest C. Torres

Senior Judge

Education: Dartmouth 1963 AB; Duke 1968 JD
Began Service: 1988
Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan

Affiliation: Member, American Bar Association; Member, Chambers of Member Ernest C. Torres, Judicial Conference of the United States

Corporate: Assistant Vice President, Aetna Life and Casualty (1985-1986)

Government: President, Office of the Town Council, East Greenwich, Rhode Island (1972-1974); State Representative (RI), Rhode Island House of Representatives (1975-1980)

Judicial: Associate Justice, Rhode Island Superior Court (1980-1985); Chief Judge, United States District Court for the District of Rhode Island

Legal Practice: Associate, Hinckley, Allen, Salisbury & Parsons, 1968; Partner, Saunders & Torres (1974-1980); Tillinghast, Collins & Graham (1986-1987)

Current Memberships: American Association of Justice; American Bar Association; Rhode Island Bar Association

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**David L. Martin**

Magistrate Judge

Date of Birth: 1947
Education: Virginia 1973 JD
Began Service: September 29, 1998
Term Expires: September 28, 2014

Government: Assistant Public Defender, State of Rhode Island (1974-1981)

Legal Practice: Private Practice (1981-1998)

Military Service: United States Army Reserve, United States Department of the Army (1969-1971)

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Lincoln D. Almond

Magistrate Judge

Education: Rhode Island 1985 BS; Connecticut 1988 JD
Began Service: September 2004

Clerkships: Law Clerk, Chambers of Senior Judge Peter C. Dorsey, United States District Court for the District of Connecticut (1988-1990)

Legal Practice: Attorney, Edwards and Angell LLP (1990-2004)

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Robert W. Lovegreen

Magistrate Judge (recalled)

Education: Brown 1960 AB; Virginia 1963 JD
Began Service: March 1993

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Arthur N. Votolato

Bankruptcy Judge

Date of Birth: 1930
Education: Rhode Island 1953 BA; Boston U 1956 LLB
Began Service: June 25, 1968
Term Expires: May 24, 2013

Affiliation: Bankruptcy Judge, United States Bankruptcy Appellate Panel for the First Circuit

Government: Chief Special Counsel, Department of Public Works, State of Rhode Island (1962-1968)

Judicial: Chief Judge, Member, First Circuit Bankruptcy Appellate Panel (1980-1983); Chief Bankruptcy Judge, United States Bankruptcy Appellate Panel for the First Circuit

Legal Practice: Partner, Votolato & Votolato (1956-1962)

Military Service: United States Marine Corps Reserve (1949-1950); United States Air Force (1950-1951)

Current Memberships: Federal Bar Association; Rhode Island Bar Association

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